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Notice was duly published September 10, 2019 on Page 6 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on September 17, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Vice Chair Rod Johnson called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused. Chair Ridder stated that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and invited the public to address the Commission. No public comments were received. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Wednesday, September 18, 2019:

911 Service System Advisory Committee Meeting

1:00 p.m. - Commission Hearing Room

Tuesday, September 24, 2019:

Commission Meeting

10:00 Commission Hearing Room

TNC-2 Annual Fee for Transportation Network Companies - **Hearing**

11:00 a.m. - Commission Hearing Room

Commissioner Tim Schram - Hearing Officer

B-1998 Transfer of Golden Plains Services' authority - **Hearing**

B-1999 Transfer of Servant Cab Company's authority - **Hearing**

1:30 p.m. - Commission Hearing Room

Commissioner Tim Schram - Hearing Officer

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5075 In the Matter of the Application of Ross Becklun, Brunswick, seeking authority to receive telephone service from the Creighton exchange of Great Plains Communications, Inc. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

Cullen Robbins discussed the 2019 Annual Report on Telecommunications to the Legislature. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to approve the 2019 Annual Report on Telecommunications. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

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COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

NUSF-25, In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on
PO #39 its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the
NUSF-66 purpose of certifying the use of federal universal service
support. In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service
Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the
purpose of certifying the use of state universal service support.
Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan
Watermeier, to enter an Order certifying ETCs for federal high-cost
support. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and
Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary
Ridder excused not voting.

WC No. 19-126 In the Matter of Rural Digital Opportunity Fund.
WC No. 10-90 Connect America Fund. Motion made by Commissioner Dan
Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram. Cullen Robbins
discussed the FCC comments that are due September 17, 2019, and sought
Commission approval to file. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod
Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners
Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

STATE 911 DEPARTMENT

911-042.19 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission,
on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public
safety answering points for the implementation and provision of
Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Saline County. Motion made by
Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to
enter an Order approving use of PSAP set-aside funds. Motion passed
with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting
AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not
voting.

911-042.50 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission,
on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public
safety answering points for the implementation and provision of
Enhanced Wireless 911 service: Chase County. Motion made by
Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to
enter an Order approving use of PSAP set-aside funds. Motion passed
with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting
AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not
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STATE 911 DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

911-042.56 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to administer funding for public safety answering points for the implementation and provision of Enhanced Wireless 911 service: York County. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier to enter an Order approving use of PSAP set-aside funds. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1987 In the Matter of the Application of Double Leg, LLC d/b/a River Country Rides, Nebraska City, seeking authority as a common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by bus in special party and charter service between all points in Nebraska over irregular routes. RESTRICTIONS: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: No. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram, to enter an Order dismissing application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

B-1991 In the Matter of the Application of D & Z Transportation, LLC, Bellevue, seeking authority as common carrier in Nebraska intrastate commerce in the transportation of passengers by van in open class between points in Douglas and Sarpy counties and points between said counties over irregular routes. RESTRICTION: The transportation of railroad train crews and their baggage is not authorized. HHS Designation: Yes. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, to enter an Order of pending dismissal. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

GRAIN WAREHOUSE & DEALERS DEPARTMENT

GW-153 In the Matter of the Application of Frontier Cooperative Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, requesting a \$50,000 deductible on its stock insurance.

GW-279 In the Matter of the Application of Farmers Cooperative, Dorchester, Nebraska, requesting a \$25,000 deductible on its stock insurance. Motion made by Commissioner Dan Watermeier, seconded by Commissioner Tim Schram to enter orders granting applications GW-153 and GW-279. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram, and Dan Watermeier voting AYE, and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused not voting.

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GRAIN WAREHOUSE & DEALERS DEPARTMENT (Cont.)

Grain Dealer Division

GD-2876 In the Matter of Frontier Cooperative Company, Brainard, Nebraska: Shana Knutson reported the grain dealer license was cancelled September 1, 2019.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Executive Director's recommendation to approve Commission invoices. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting, and Commissioner Dan Watermeier excused not voting.

Rod Johnson	\$	933.80
Mary Ridder		1,012.10
Dan Watermeier		354.96

Executive Director's recommendation to authorize Commissioner Dan Watermeier to travel to and attend the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' (NARUC) New Commissioner Regulatory Orientation in Washington, D.C. from September 8 to September 10, 2019, with all expense to be reimbursed by NARUC. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present not voting, and Commissioner Dan Watermeier excused not voting.

Executive Director's recommendation to approve the nomination of Employee of the Year. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder and Tim Schram voting AYE, and Commissioner Dan Watermeier excused not voting.

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present and Commissioners Crystal Rhoades and Mary Ridder excused. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 24, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 a.m. on September 23, 2019.



Vice Chair



Executive Director